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Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for the creation of an electronic container to conduct a business-transaction comprising:
 - creating an electronic version of an object useful in conducting the business-transaction;
 - creating a graphical code representing information about the object, wherein the graphical code comprises unique index information about the object;
 - associating the graphical code with the object;
 - assigning a unique transaction identifier to the object to associate the object with the business-transaction; and
 - storing the object with other objects having the same unique transaction identifier.
2. Canceled.
3. (Original) The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises coordinate location relating to fields within the object.
4. (Original) The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises routing information.
5. (Original) The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises at least a one dimensional code.
6. (Previously Presented) The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 further comprising binding the object to other objects wherein the graphical code comprises binding information that relates the object and each of the other objects to each other.
7. (Currently Amended) A system for the creation of an electronic container to conduct a business transaction comprising:
 - an object comprising a unique transaction identifier containing information useful in conducting the business transaction;

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a workstation for inputting ~~data~~information about the object;
a graphical code creator connected to the workstation for ~~creating~~creating a graphical
code comprising unique index information about the object~~the data~~; and
~~an electronic record creator connected to the scanner for creating a composite electronic~~
~~record comprising the object and the graphical code; and~~
a container creator for associating the graphical code with the object and with other
objects and ~~for each~~ having the same assigning a unique transaction identifier to the
object.

8. Canceled.

9. Canceled.

10. (Currently Amended) The system for the creation of an electronic container ~~8-7~~ wherein
the ~~data~~information about the object comprises coordinate location of fields within the object.

11. (Currently Amended) The system for the creation of an electronic container of claim ~~8-7~~
wherein the container creator comprises instructions for viewing the object, and the unique
index ~~data~~information, ~~and supplemental data concerning the object in a viewer.~~

12. (Currently Amended) The system for the creation of an electronic container of claim ~~4-7~~
wherein the container creator ~~further comprises~~associates instructions for retrieving and
manipulating the object using the same application that created the object with the container.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for managing workflow within an organization
comprising:

receiving an electronic container comprising an object associated with a ~~business~~
transaction and ~~routing information~~a graphical code associated with the object, wherein
the object is associated with a unique transaction identifier and wherein the electronic
container comprises objects having the same unique transaction identifier;
extracting routing information associated with the object from the graphical code;
routing the object to a recipient designated in the routing information for processing the

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~~business transaction~~object; and

receiving from the designated recipient a processed object.

14. (Currently Amended) The method for managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein receiving an electronic container comprising an object associated with a ~~business transaction~~ comprises receiving an object selected from the group consisting of an image, a document, a database, a computer generated file, and an electronic data interchange file.

15. Canceled.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein the ~~method~~graphical code further comprises ~~receiving unique object-index information about the object~~.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 16, wherein ~~object-unique index information about the object~~ comprises information indicative of a field value, a field name, a field type, and a length value.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein the ~~method further comprises receiving a graphical code~~ further comprises information indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 18, wherein ~~receiving a graphical code~~ information indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container comprises ~~receiving~~-rules directed to determining the order of objects within the container.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 18, wherein ~~receiving a~~the graphical code indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container comprises ~~receiving~~-rules directed to determining whether the electronic container comprises all of the objects associated with the ~~business transaction~~.